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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
(Western Division – Los Angeles)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:08-cv-00584-RGK-AGR**

Belinda Polonsky De Litchi v. Michael Chertoff et al  
Assigned to: Judge R. Gary Klausner  
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Alicia G. Rosenberg  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/29/2008  
Date Terminated: 06/11/2008  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
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01/29/2008	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT FOR RELIEF AND EXHIBITS A–W IN SUPPORT against Defendants W Ralph Basham, Magda S Ortiz, T Diane Cejka, Mark Hanson, Shari Suzuki, United States Department of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, Michael B. Mukasey, Emilio T. Gonzalez. (Filing fee \$ 350 PAID.), filed by Plaintiff Belinda Polonsky De Litchi. (et) Additional attachment(s) added on 2/4/2008 (Ira, ). (Entered: 02/02/2008)
01/29/2008		60 DAY Summons Issued re Complaint – (Discovery) <u>1</u> as to Defendants W Ralph Basham, Magda S Ortiz, T Diane Cejka, Mark Hanson, Shari Suzuki, United States Department of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, Michael B. Mukasey, Emilio T. Gonzalez. (et) (Entered: 02/02/2008)
01/29/2008	<u>2</u>	CERTIFICATION AND NOTICE of Interested Parties filed by Plaintiff Belinda Polonsky De Litchi. (et) Additional attachment(s) added on 2/4/2008 (Ira, ). (Entered: 02/02/2008)
01/29/2008		FAX number for Attorney Neville Asherson, Anna A Darbinian, Leon Ben Hazany, Anish Vashistha is 310–278–8454. (et) (Entered: 02/02/2008)
02/07/2008	<u>3</u>	STANDING ORDER REGARDING NEWLY ASSIGNED CASES by Judge R. Gary Klausner. (sw) (Entered: 02/07/2008)
02/07/2008	<u>4</u>	PROOF OF SERVICE Executed W Ralph Basham served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Magda S Ortiz served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; T Diane Cejka served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Mark Hanson served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Shari Suzuki served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; United States Department of Homeland Security served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Michael Chertoff served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Michael B. Mukasey served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008; Emilio T. Gonzalez served on 1/30/2008, answer due 3/30/2008. The Summons and Complaint were served by Personally and By Mail, by Federal statute. Service accepted by Pat Myles on behalf of U.S. Attorneys Office. Original Summons not returned. (Hazany, Leon) (Entered: 02/07/2008)
03/27/2008	<u>5</u>	FIRST STIPULATION Extending Time to Answer the complaint as to W Ralph Basham answer now due 4/27/2008; Magda S Ortiz answer now due 4/27/2008; T Diane Cejka answer now due 4/27/2008; Mark Hanson answer now due 4/27/2008; Shari Suzuki answer now due 4/27/2008; United States Department of Homeland Security answer now due 4/27/2008; Michael Chertoff answer now due 4/27/2008; Michael B. Mukasey answer now due 4/27/2008; Emilio T. Gonzalez answer now due 4/27/2008, filed by Defendants W Ralph Basham; Magda S Ortiz; T Diane Cejka; Mark Hanson; Shari Suzuki; United States Department of Homeland Security; Michael Chertoff; Michael B. Mukasey; Emilio T. Gonzalez.(Yim, Deborah) (Entered: 03/27/2008)
04/25/2008	<u>6</u>	MEMORANDUM in Support of <i>Federal Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for Improper Venue, or in the Alternative to Transfer Venue</i> filed by Defendants W Ralph Basham, Magda S Ortiz, T Diane Cejka, Mark Hanson, Shari Suzuki, United States Department of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, Michael B. Mukasey, Emilio T. Gonzalez. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proof of Service# <u>2</u> Proposed Order # <u>3</u> Proof of Service)(Yim, Deborah) (Entered: 04/25/2008)
04/25/2008	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Motion and Motion to Dismiss for Improper Venue, or in the Alternative to Transfer Venue filed by Defendants W Ralph Basham, Magda S Ortiz, T Diane Cejka, Mark Hanson, Shari Suzuki, United States Department of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, Michael B. Mukasey, Emilio T. Gonzalez. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proof of Service)(Yim, Deborah) (Entered: 04/25/2008)
05/23/2008	<u>8</u>	OPPOSITION TO FEDERAL DEFENDANTS MOTION TO DISMISS FOR IMPROPER VENUE, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, TO TRANSFER VENUE filed by Plaintiff Belinda Polonsky De Litchi. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration Declaration of Plaintiff Belinda Polonsky de Litchi)(Hazany, Leon) (Entered: 05/23/2008)
06/02/2008	<u>9</u>	REPLY In Support of <i>Federal Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for Improper Venue, or in the Alternative, to Transfer Venue</i> filed by Defendants W Ralph Basham, Magda S Ortiz, T Diane Cejka, Mark Hanson, Shari Suzuki, United States Department of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, Michael B. Mukasey, Emilio T. Gonzalez. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Shari Suzuki, # <u>2</u> Declaration of

		Eric N. Banks, # <u>3</u> Proof of Service to Neville Asherson, Esq.)(Yim, Deborah) (Entered: 06/02/2008)
06/04/2008	<u>10</u>	MINUTES OF IN CHAMBERS ORDER before Judge R. Gary Klausner. Federal defendants' Motion to Dismiss <u>7</u> set for hearing on June 9, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. is UNDER SUBMISSION and taken off the motion calendar. Furthermore, no appearance by counsel is necessary and the Court will issue ruling after full consideration of the submitted pleadings. (sw) (Entered: 06/04/2008)
06/11/2008	<u>11</u>	MINUTES (IN CHAMBERS) by Judge R. Gary Klausner: Proceedings: Defendant's Motion to Dismiss for Improper Venue, or in the Alternative, to Transfer Venue <u>7</u> . Defendant's motion is granted and Plaintiff's complaint is transferred to the District of Columbia. (Made JS-6. Case Terminated.) (mg) (Entered: 06/12/2008)
06/12/2008	<u>12</u>	TRANSMITTAL LETTER. Case transferred to USDC District of Columbia. (mg) (mg). (Entered: 06/12/2008)
06/12/2008	<u>13</u>	NOTICE OF CLERICAL ERROR: Due to clerical error the PDF image was not attached to the Transmittal Letter <u>12</u> when originally docketed. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Letter) (mg) (Entered: 06/12/2008)
06/24/2008	14	RECEIVED Notice of Receipt of Electronic Case Transfer by District of Columbia. (sm) (Entered: 06/24/2008)